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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A microneedle and a microneedle array, which have both aspects of safety and easiness to use and can administer a predetermined dose of a medical agent without causing a pain by smoothly running into the skin surface layer of a patient, includes a frustum and a forward end portion thereon, the forward end portion having a forward end apex angle in the range of 15 to 60° and a forward end diameter in the range of 1 to 20 μm and satisfying the expression $H/D \geq 5$, where H is a total height of the microneedle, and D is a diameter of a bottom surface of the frustum).

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